

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
August 8, 2011**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:00 A.M., on August 8, 2011 in Board Room 1, Suite 201, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John M. Horn, L.P.N., Chairperson
Louise D. Hartz, Citizen Member
Joseph Schibner, C.M.T.; Massage Therapy Advisory Board Member

STAFF PRESENT: Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D., Discipline Staff

OTHERS PRESENT: Amanda Blount, Adjudication Specialist

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED: **Yan Ling Chen, C.M.T. 0019-008768**
Ms. Chen appeared, accompanied by attorney, Kevin Martingale.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:00 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Chen. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:15 A.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order of reprimand to Yan Ling Chen. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Chen unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Chen within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Donna Sayegh, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-062433;
C.M.T. Reinstatement Applicant 0019-001183
Ms. Sayegh appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:05 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Sayegh. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:10 A.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order to deny the petition of Donna Sayegh to reinstate her license to practice as a professional nurse in Virginia and to deny the petition to reinstate her certificate to practice as a massage therapist in Virginia. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Carla Hope Anderson, C.M.T. Applicant
Ms. Anderson did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:15 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Anderson. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:30 A.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved continue the case in the matter of Carla Anderson until verification that the massage therapy program accepted the registered nurse credits as equivalency. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Schibner left the meeting.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Stephen Poretz, R.N. Reinstatement Applicant 0001-177889

Mr. Poretz appeared, accompanied by his fiancée, Meg Anacone.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:05 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Poretz. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:16 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order to reinstate the license of Stephen Poretz to practice as a professional nurse contingent upon his continued compliance with the Health Practitioners Monitoring Program. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Poretz unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Poretz within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Omar Jawara, L.P.N. 0002-075719

Mr. Jawara did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:20 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Jawara. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:30 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order to deny petition of Omar Jawara for reinstatement of his license to practice as a practical nurse in Virginia.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Jawara unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Jawara within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Hilman Wright, R.M.A. Applicant
Mr. Wright did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:00 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Wright. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:05 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to issue an order to deny the application of Hilman Wright for registration as a medication aide in Virginia.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

An Order will be entered. As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Wright unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Wright within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the Order shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Carline Paul, C.N.A. 1401-116222

Ms. Paul did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:05 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Paul. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:10 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to offer Carline Paul a consent order for revocation of her nurse aide certificate with a finding of abuse in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Paul and the Board.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Paular Paul, C.N.A. 1401-125390

Ms. Paul did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:15 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Paul. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 1:25 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Hartz moved to offer Paular Paul a consent order for revocation of her nurse aide certificate in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Paul and the Board.

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:** **Barbara Billups, R.M.A. 0031-003279**
Ms. Billups appeared, accompanied by her daughter, Alsha Billups.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:35 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Billups. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:42 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Hartz moved to close the case and impose no sanction due to insufficient evidence to warrant disciplinary action by the Board of Nursing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:** **Katy Humphrey, C.N.A. 1401-129508**
Ms. Humphrey did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 2:45 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Humphrey. Additionally, Ms. Hartz moved that Dr. Elliott and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:50 P.M.

Ms. Hartz moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of

Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Hartz moved to offer Katy Humphrey a consent order for revocation of the right to renew her nurse aide certificate with a finding of abuse in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Humphrey and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

Jane Elliott, R.N., Ph.D.
Discipline Staff